

**PATENT**

**Attorney Docket No. 39685-0040**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application	)	<u>PATENT APPLICATION</u>
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Inventor(s): Stephen CARLEY	)	
	)	Art Unit: 2857 (parent case)
Application No.: Not Yet Assigned	)	
	)	Examiner: WACHSMAN, Hal D.
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Filed: Concurrently Herewith	)	
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Title SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR	)	
PROVIDING COMPOSITE VARIANCE	)	
<u>ANALYSIS FOR NETWORK OPERATION)</u>	)	

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified Application as set forth in the Amendments below.